Uniform Guidance: Procurement

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Uniform Guidance Overview

What is Uniform Guidance?

Uniform Guidance ("UG") is a set of regulations (located in 2 CFR 200) that consolidates federal guidelines impacting research administration.
What is the purpose of Uniform Guidance?

UG significantly reforms federal grant making to focus resources on improving performance and outcomes. The intent is to reduce administrative burdens for grant applicants and recipients and reduce the risk of waste, fraud, and abuse.
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The UG Procurement Claw

1. Micro-Purchases
2. Small Purchases
3. Sealed Bids
4. Competitive Proposals
5. Sole Source

General Standards:
A. Documented Policies
B. Necessary
C. Full & Open Competition
D. Conflict of Interest
E. Documentation
   i. Cost & Price Analysis
   ii. Vendor Selection
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When are these changes effective?

July 1, 2018
Federal Funds in Workday

Identified by Fund number

- FD110 – Federal Appropriations
- FD242 – Restricted Federal Gifts
- FD250 – Restricted State and Local Grants and Contracts (if Federal Pass Thru)
- FD251 – Restricted Federal Grants and Contracts
Federal Grant PO Spend Analytics

- 3,223 total POs w/FY18 spend
  - 2,425 – Federally Funded
  - 798 – Fed Pass Thru
- $47,986,201.50 Total Encumbered Funds
- $21,037,789.38 Total Invoiced YTD
Impact to LSU

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• Micropurchase Threshold
• Sole Source Procurement
• Academic Research Consulting
• Conflict of Interest
The current micropurchase threshold (MPT) as defined in the Uniform Guidance is $3,000.

Congress recently passed a statute into law, changing the definition of MPT from $3,000 to $10,000.

This revised threshold results in no changes to how the University community purchases goods under $10,000 as this threshold also matches the current University threshold for small purchases.
Exceptions to the Competitive Process

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• Currently, several types of procurement are exempt from competition as allowed through the university procurement code, policies and procedures. Examples are:
  • Professional, Specialty & Consulting Services
  • Advertising
  • Sole Source
  • Research Supplies & Equipment

• Continuation of these and all other exemptions are still being determined.
Conflict of Interest

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• New COI policy will require increased disclosure of documentation for potential committee members.
• Additionally further evidence or statements assuring no financial relationship exists with potential suppliers will be required.
• University must disclose potential conflicts to the Federal Awarding Agency.
Next Steps

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• New webpage to provide Uniform Guidance information and updates
• New webpage on Procuring with Federal Funds
• Revisions to policies, procedures and tasks
Training will be offered to the LSU Community beginning June 26, 2018.

Registration will open soon!

LSU Training and Events Registration
http://training.lsu.edu/
Questions??